

Yankees' Opening Date at Home Likely to Cause Conflict of Magnates

Frazer Suspects He Is Being Made Goat of League Schedule

Red Sox Rumored to Have Been Assigned First Date at Yankee Stadium, Tuesday, April 17, Giving Mackmen or Senators Saturday and Sunday

By John Kieran

Last night about dusk Harry Frazer, the Red Sox magnate, packed his portly person into the first three coaches of a Boston express and hid away down East to investigate the rumor that he had been made the blue ribbon goat of the American League schedule for 1923. Frazer was all wrought up about a telegram that was alleged to be waiting for him at his Boston headquarters with the magic name of B. B. Johnson appended to it as author thereof.

On thoroughly unreliable authority it was stated that the telegram conveyed the information that the Red Sox were to open the American League campaign in this city at the Yankee Stadium on Tuesday, April 17. If this proves to be true, the Hubtown magnate is prepared to split the league into two halves, the first half being the Red Sox, and the second half being the rest of the league. Not that anybody objects to having the honor of playing the party of the second part when the playing Colonels open the porticoes of the Lincoln Park Zoo and the cage of the first time, but that the public for the first time, but that the date selected has a peculiar financial significance that will tell its tale in that most important of all baseball leagues, the bank books.

It has been customary for some time past to open the campaign on Wednesday or Thursday, and thus give the visiting teams in New York a chance to play to Saturday crowds and perhaps the Sunday hordes that have flocked past the turnstiles since the Sabbath pastimes have been legalized in this commonwealth. Harry Frazer has a shrewd suspicion that if his forlorn Red Sox open here on a Tuesday they will depart this fair city on a Friday, bag and baggage, and leave the delightful holiday days immediately ensuing to such unworthy objects of New York hospitality as Connie Mack's Athletics or Clark Griffith's Senators. "Hine ille lacrimae," as the old Latin has it.

Will Summon Former Allies
If Frazer finds that his suspicions are well founded, he is prepared to move heaven and earth and three clubs of the American League to have the national blot removed from his scutcheon. He will wind a blast upon his horn to summon his former fighting allies to the fray. The "triumphant trio"—Boston, Chicago and New York—will be called upon to vote a resounding "No" when the schedule comes up for confirmation, and, according to the league constitution, it will be impossible to pass the schedule over their heads. It is evident that the Red Sox owners expect to have the boys back in the trenches by Christmas.

There is grave doubt that the general public, and fandom in particular, will be stirred to anger or dismay at the outrageous treatment handed out to the Boston magnate. The fans in the bleachers will not care much who plays on any given day at the new stadium provided the Yankees are slightly ahead at the end of nine legal innings or more. At the same time everybody understands Frazer's honest indignation in retorting a swift kick in the bank account.

Reports from Philadelphia carry the news that Hugo Bezdek has been submitted a three-year contract to manage the forlorn Phillies, but that the Penn State coach will not make up his mind until after the football season is over. Bezdek was said to have asked \$25,000 a year to handle the job, but President Baker apparently thought that the Quakers could be conducted to or near the bottom of the National League at a much more reasonable rate.

Chance Touted for Job
As he was dashing off to catch his train Frazer refused to name the candidate he had chosen to succeed Hughey Duffy as skipper of the Red Sox crew. Frank Chance is now touted as the man slated for the job, though the Boston magnate denied this rumor shortly after the word came. The Peerless Leader said when he was here that he would be willing to manage Boston or any other big league team and that he would like to buy an interest in the club of which he might be manager. The former Cub has some ready cash on hand from the sale of his Los Angeles ranch, and Frazer is as willin' as Backus to sell anything in the baseball line, from the bat boy to the franchise.

It has been suggested that the league magnates in congress assembled next month might do well to take up the subject of stalling tactics employed by teams while waiting for a thunderstorm to arrive from the Southwest and save them from defeat. The ludicrous exhibition put on by the Yankees when they managed to avert disaster in a game against the White Sox at Chicago last August gave rise to considerable comment, much criticism and several fines, including one of \$100 which Miller Huggins paid with a grin.

John McGraw thinks that the only way to do away with the nuisance is to have play resumed on a later date at precisely the point where the pastime was interrupted. In that event there would be no advantage gained by stalling on the part of either club. Quite a few important figures in baseball agree with McGraw and it would not be surprising if some such action were taken.

W. & J. Adopts One-Year Rule
WASHINGTON, Pa., Nov. 16.—Announcement was made to-night that the athletic council of Washington and Jefferson College has unanimously passed a resolution instituting the freshman rule in athletics. The resolution provides for the new ruling to become effective on September 1, 1924. After that date freshmen will be permitted to participate in varsity or intercollegiate athletics and no student will be permitted to participate for more than three years in any branch of sport.

Harvard Coach Anxious About Brown Contest

Fisher's Line-Up Indicates He Does Not Intend to Underestimate Opponent

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Nov. 16.—There will be nothing soft about the line-up Harvard will throw against Brown next Saturday. Coach Fisher's selection announced to-night follows: Left end, Jenkins; left tackle, Eastman or Greenough; left guard, Henry Grew; center, Kernan; right guard, Hubbard; right tackle, Dunker; right end, Holder; quarterback, Spaulding; left halfback, Coburn; right halfback, Hammond; fullback, Churchill.

With the exception of Kernan at center, the line positions are filled by the regular varsity players. Eastman may not play, however, and Greenough, who has stood a bulk of the regular tackle and has had plenty of work all season, is ready to take his place. Spaulding, who had a full day's work, has the confidence of the coaches. He has been developed swiftly this season, being rated as third-string quarterback on his freshman team. Outside of experience Captain Bull has little on the newcomer, and the coaches say he gained more ground against Princeton Saturday than did the Harvard leader. The team did not slow up when the youngster stepped in to relieve his injured and crippled captain.

This afternoon's work was the regular Thursday menu. A long session of punting was followed by a defensive scrimmage between the varsity and the second eleven, with the latter using Brown players. Then teams A and B lined up for fifteen minutes. Tackling was shelved.

The residential staff had the assistance today of M. Logan, who quarterbacked Charlie Brickley's 1919 team, Ernie Soucy and Wallie Trumbull, the latter pair helping with the ends.

Fitts turned his ankle slightly in yesterday's practice and was advised to lay off until Saturday.

Major Leaguers Cannot Play in Winter Games

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Nov. 16.—Major League baseball players cannot play in winter games in California or elsewhere, even though they receive no compensation, it has been held by Baseball Commissioner Landis, according to a telegram received by city manager Clyde L. Seavey, of Sacramento.

Seavey had telegraphed Mr. Landis, asking if the Sacramento winter league, which is a municipal affair, could play Elwood "Kettle" Wirtz, of the Chicago Nationals. The telegram stated that neither Wirtz nor any other player would receive any form of remuneration.

Game at Bronx Oval

In an endeavor to determine the champion baseball team of the Bronx arrangements were completed this week whereby the famous Lincoln Giants will play the final game of the 1922 series with the Bronx Giants next Sunday at the Catholic Protective. The final contest will bring together "Machine Gun" Joe Williams and "Lefty" La Fard.

Don Lourie Gets Poe Cup for Second Time

PRINCETON, Nov. 16.—Donald B. Lourie, of Peru, Ill., Princeton football star last year, was to-night awarded the Poe memorial cup, presented by J. G. Hibban made the presentation at the final mass meeting of undergraduates before the Yale game.

The trophy is awarded each fall for athletic and scholastic ability during the preceding year, and last year the same honor went to Lourie. It is given by Mrs. John Prentiss Poe in honor of her son, Johnny Poe, famous Tiger grid star in 1895, who was killed in the World War, and the conditions under which the award is made include on the part of the recipient manliness, courage, self-control, modesty, fairness to opponents, as well as athletic and scholastic ability. It is one of Princeton's highest honors.

Yale and Harvard Win in Class A Squash Tourney

In the first matches of the season in the Class A team championship, squash tennis teams of the Yale and Harvard clubs were victorious yesterday afternoon. The Blue defeated Columbia 6 matches to 1, while the Crimson turned back the Crescent A. C. players 5 matches to 2.

The outstanding test was that in which A. J. Cordier, of Yale, a former national champion, defeated Kingsley Kunhardt, of Columbia, 11-15, 15-9, 15-9. Kunhardt started like a house on fire and aided by a number of exceptionally good gets outplayed Cordier in the opening game. Cordier speeded up in the next two, and while he was able to get the verdict, he was hard pressed throughout.

Thomas Coward, the national champion, had no difficulty disposing of Frank Kiddle in the next match, winning 15-5, 15-12. Fred Keeler was the only Columbia man to turn in a victory, the veteran defeating C. J. McGuire 15-12, 6-15, 18-14.

The two Crescent players who won against Harvard were R. Earl Fink and Charles M. Bull. The former triumphed over F. S. Whitlock, 15-4, 15-12, while Bull trounced Hewitt Morgan 15-9, 11-15, 15-10.

YALE, 5; COLUMBIA, 1.
Thomas Coward, Yale, defeated Frank Kiddle, Columbia, 15-5, 15-12; A. J. Cordier, Yale, defeated Kingsley Kunhardt, Columbia, 11-15, 15-9, 15-9; Fred Keeler, Yale, defeated C. J. McGuire, Columbia, 15-12, 6-15, 18-14; D. M. Bonnetier, Yale, defeated R. V. Mabon, Columbia, 15-19, 15-7; Otis Guernsey, Yale, defeated J. H. Cornell, Columbia, 15-12, 18-17; H. R. Stern, Yale, won by default from J. M. Worcester, Columbia.

HARVARD, 5; CRESCENT, 2.
R. Earl Fink, Crescent, defeated F. S. Whitlock, 15-4, 15-12; C. M. Bull, Crescent, defeated James Dole, Crescent, 15-9, 11-15, 15-10; W. Rand, Crescent, defeated A. Baxter Jr., Crescent, 15-11, 15-7; J. A. Richards, Crescent, defeated N. Taylor, Harvard, 15-8, 15-11; Dingo, Crescent, defeated C. W. Rushmore, Harvard, defeated H. V. Crawford, Crescent, 15-11, 8-15, 15-7; C. S. Fuller, Harvard, defeated E. P. Cryer, Crescent, 18-16, 15-8.

Indoor Track Championship to Take Place Here on Nov. 22

A. A. U. Announces That Title Meet Will Be Held in 13th Regiment Armory; Four New Events Are Added to Card at Meeting of Committee

By Jack Masters

At a meeting of the championship committee of the Amateur Athletic Union held yesterday afternoon, it was announced that the Junior Metropolitan Indoor title meet would be held this year in the 13th Regiment Armory, Brooklyn, on February 22. The championship will be in charge of the 13th Post, American Legion.

It also was decided to add three events to both the junior and senior title meets—namely, a four-mile relay, a five-mile team race and a ten-mile team race. These added events will be awarded to various clubs holding meets throughout the winter, thus enabling the promoters to offer a special attraction in connection with their annual games.

The junior card of eleven events was held last year in Newark, and it is a source of much satisfaction to local athletes that the trip to New Jersey will not have to be repeated this winter. A local championship should, whenever possible, be held in greater New York. No date has been set as yet for the senior title games.

The entry of the Meadowbrook Club of Philadelphia in the national cross-country championship at Van Cortlandt Park to-morrow was received at A. A. U. headquarters yesterday, thus rounding out what undoubtedly is the best lot of runners who have ever signed up for the junior title run. The Nativity Catholic Club, also of Philadelphia, has entered a team, but the smart competition is expected from the Meadowbrooks.

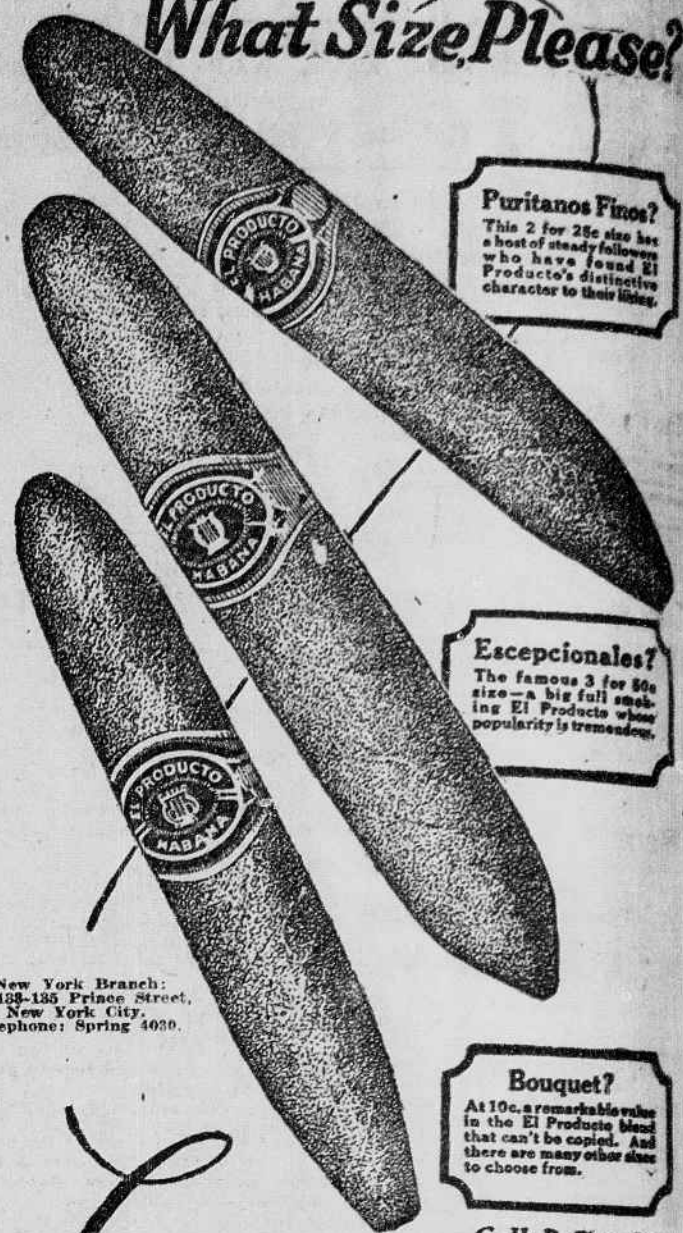
Frank Worthington, Bill Rittler Jr., Fred Tobaden, Art Studenroth, Henry Siegel, John Williams and George Ramsey are those nominated by the Meadowbrooks, and of this lot Rittler appears to be the man who might give the Finnish-American A. C. stars a hard race for individual honors.

What will probably be the first large meet of the indoor season will take place at the 22d Regiment Armory to-morrow night, when the sixty-fifth annual meet of the New York Caledonian Club will be held. More than 400 entries have been received for the eight open events, all of which are handicap affairs. The 1,000-yard run and one-mile relay have attracted a number of local stars.

Morris Greenberg, the newly crowned metropolitan fifteen-mile walking champion, is slated to start in the annual ten-mile walk of the Long Island

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